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Mr. Ed King  
Jumbo Mining Company  
6305 Fern Spring Drive  
Austin, TX 78730

RE: Western States Minerals Responsibility  
for Ground Water Contamination on the  
Drum Mine Property

Dear Mr. King:

Persuant to our determination that remedial action was needed to prevent the migration of contaminated ground water from the Drum Mine site, we sent a letter to Western States Minerals Corporation on July 8, 1991 naming them as a potentially responsible party in this case. Western States has sent us a response (copy enclosed) which argues that they are not a responsible party. Our position is that both Western States Minerals Corporation and Jumbo Mining Company are potentially responsible parties. The apportionment of liability is an issue between Jumbo and Western States but we are interested in your opinion of the response we received.

In any case, work on containment of the contaminated ground water should begin as soon as possible and it is preferable that this commitment and effort be conducted voluntarily. Therefore, we request that you provide us with a plan and timetable for this remediation, as requested in our letter of June 24, 1991, within 30 days of receipt of this letter. We will be happy to discuss with you the contents expected to be included in the plan.

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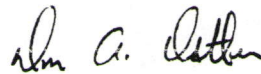
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Please note however, that if we are not able to secure acceptable progress in this matter, further compliance action may be considered. Please contact Mark Novak at (801) 538-6146 if you have any questions on these matters.

Sincerely,

Utah Water Quality Board



Don A. Ostler, P.E.  
Executive Secretary

Enclosure

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